

The State Board of Education/State Board for Vocational Education held a work session on Thursday, March 23, 2017 in Cabinet Room of the Townsend Building, Dover, Delaware. The work session was called to order at 9:42 a.m.

Present were: Nina Lou Bunting, Vice President; G. Patrick Heffernan, Barbara B. Rutt, Terry M. Whittaker and Donna R. Johnson, who serves as the State Board's Executive Director. Deputy Attorney General Catherine Hickey was also present. Department staff that attended the work session for the presentation included: Karen Field Rogers, Angeline Rivello, Laura Schneider, Ted Jarrell, Adrian Peoples, Du Raifu, and Denise Stouffer.

Overview of Contract with Public Impact

Lyria Boast from Public Impact presented an overview of research commissions by the State Board on student level growth models in use by other states. Ms. Boast presented a snapshot of growth models used across states and proposed growth models to be modeled with Delaware data. The Board will meet with Department staff and finalize a list of four models to model with 2015-2017 data. Public Impact will report back to the State Board in early fall and also work with the Department to assess capacity issues or concerns with the models.

Secretary Bunting was unable to join the Board for lunch. The introductory lunch will be scheduled next month. A motion was made by Mr. Heffernan and seconded by Dr. Whittaker to adjourn the work session. The work session adjourned at 11:39 a.m.